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SUBJECT: SOVIET PRESS SUMMARY FOR MARCH 20

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1. MIDDLE EAST. PRESS IGNORES SADAT STATEMENT ON NONUSE OF FORCE
AND SECRETARY'S TRAVELS. PRAVDA CARRIES REPORT SUMMARIZING SYRIAN
COMMUNIST PARTY STATEMENT ON MIDDLE EAST. ARTICLE NOTES STATEMENT
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CRITICIZES ATTEMPTS "TO IMPOSE PARTIAL, SEPARATE AGREEMENTS ON

THE ARABS" AND REPLAYS COMMUNISTS' CALL FOR PEACE BASED ON ISRAELI EVACUATION FROM ALL LANDS OCCUPIED IN 1967 AND GUARANTEE OF PALESTINIAN RIGHTS, INCLUDING THEIR "RIGHT TO FORM A STATE OF THEIR OWN." STATEMENT'S CALL FOR IMMEDIATE (NEMEDLENNIY) CONVOCAION OF THE MEPC IS EXPECTEDLY REPORTED.

2. AFRICA. PRAVDA COMMENTARY BY TSAPLIN CHARGES THAT CURRENT SMITH-VORSTER TALKS IN CAPETOWN ARE PART OF EFFORT BY "RACIST REGIMES" TO GET AFRICANS TO ACCEPT "FICTITIOUS REFORMS". AIM OF THE WHITE REGIMES, ACCORDING TO TSAPLIN, IS TO COVER UP UNLIMITED POWER OF THE RACISTS. INDEPENDENT AFRICANS, PRAVDA ASSERTS, KNOW THAT PORTUGUESE COLONIES WILL BE THREATENED SO LONG AS SOUTH AFRICA AND RHODESIA KEEP THEIR PRESENT REGIMES.

3. SOVIET MISSILE TESTS. ALL MAJOR DAILIES ANNOUNCE CONCLUSION OF LATEST ROUND OF MISSILE TESTS IN THE PACIFIC.

4. CAMBODIA-VIETNAM. THE CENTRAL PRESS OMITTS ITS USUAL SPOT REPORTS ON DEVELOPMENT CONCERNING INDOCHINA, BUT IZVESTIYA REPORTS A MEETING ON MARCH 19 BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ROYAL CAMBODIAN EMBASSY AND OF THE SOVIET COMMITTEE FOR SOLIDARITY WITH ASIAN AND AFRICAN COUNTRIES. THE SOVIETS PREDICTABLY VOICED SUPPORT FOR THE CAMBODIAN "PATRIOTS." SOVIET PRESS HAS NOT AS YET ANNOUNCED GVN WITHDRAWAL FROM HIGHLANDS, QUANG TRI, OR THUA THIEU.

5. CHINA. PRAVDA CARRIES A SHORT COMMENTARY BY TASS OBSERVER YAKOVLEV WHICH CASTS PEKING'S AMNESTY OF KUOMINTAG WAR CRIMINALS AS ANOTHER SIGN THAT MAO AND HIS CLIQUE ARE KIND TO TRAITORS BUT HARSH TO TRUE COMMUNISTS WHO STILL LANGUISH IN JAIL. THE LABOR UNION NEWSPAPER TRUD CARRIES A LONG CATALOGUE OF ECONOMIC SHORTCOMINGS IN CHINA BY COMMENTATOR FEDOSEYEV WHICH HAVE ALLEGEDLY RESULTED FROM THE POLICIES OF THE MAOIST LEADERSHIP SINCE 1957.

6. KOSYGIN SPEECH. IN HIS WELCOMING LUNCHEON SPEECH FOR CHIRAC, KOSYGIN REITERATED THE GOSPEL WHICH BREZHNEV ESPOUSED IN BUDAPEST WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON THE STEPS LEADING TO A SUMMIT FINALE OF THE CSCE. HE NOTED SOVIET-FRENCH COOPERATION AGAINST HITLER AND LISTED THE BILATERAL SUMMITS OF 1966 AND 1974 AS CONTRIBUTIONS TO STRONGER TIES. KOSYGIN LOOKED TO "A NEW SYSTEM UNCLASSIFIED

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OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS IN EUROPE" AND SAID THAT TERRITORIAL AND POLITICAL QUESTIONS HAD BEEN "SETTLED." NO EFFORTS SHOULD BE SPARED TO OVERCOME THE REMAINING PROBLEMS, SAID KOSYGIN, AND THE SOVIETS AND FRENCH HAD WORKED TO ACHIEVE "POSITIVE SOLUTIONS" (SEPTEL).

7. U.S. - FAVORABLE U.S. PRESS COMMENT ON BREZHNEV'S BUDAPEST SPEECH IS INCLUDED IN A ROUND -UP OF WORLD PRESS REACTION.

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